LE SUNDAY SCHOOL

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Text of the Lesson, John x, 1-16. Memory Verses, 9-11-Golden Text, John x. 11-Commentary Prepared by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

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1-6. The parable of the Good Shep-herd. He begins with one of His 25 double verilys in this gospel. It is literally amen, amen, reminding us that He is the Amen, the faithful and true witness (Rev. iii, 14; Isa. lxv, 16). His "I say unto you" is equal to the "Thus south the Lord," which the Spirit uses so many hundreds of times in the Gd Testament, for the Lord God of the holy prophets is none other than the Lord Jesus Christ of the New Testament (Rev. xxii, 6, 16). He contrasts the true shepherd with the false shepherds, who are only thieves and robbers. In Jer. xxiii, 1, 2; Ezek. xxxiv, 1-10, and Zech. xi, 17, we have some strong words against the false shepherds or pastors who care more for themselves than for their flocks. Paul describes them in Phil. ii, 21, as "Seeking their own, not the things which are Jesus Christ's." We are not to seek honor from men, nor great things for ourselves. but only that He may be magnified in us (John v, 44; Jer. xlv, 5; Phil. i, 20). A believer is a person on earth for God, redeemed by a great price that he may live unto God (I Pet. i, 18, 19; II Cor. v, 15). In the tabernacle there was but one entrance, and that was by the altar where the blood was shed; but then, as now, there were many who did not like the blood, though God had taught and said that it was the only way (Gen. iii, 21; Lev. xvii, 11). Those who attempt to obtain God's gifts in any way but His way are thieves and robbers. Having obtained redemption by His blood, we are then would minister to Him. But let us to be careful to follow, but not run before Him; this we will do only as we listen attentively to His voice. 7, 8. There is no way to the Father

and no way to know the Fother but through the Lord Jesus (John xiv, 6; i, 8; Math. xi, 27). When He says "All that | ever came before Me are thieves and robbers," He did not mean all who came before Him in point of time, as Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, etc., but the words "before Me" have evidently the same meaning as "before Me" in Ex. xx. 3, and those referred to are such as are asscribed in Jer. xxiii, 21, 32; Acts-xx, 9; I John iv, 3; II John. 7.

9. He is the sacrifice, and He is the door, and He is the Shepherd. Every type and symbol has its fulfillment in Him, and He is the substance of every shadow. How grand is the assurance that "any man" may enter in by Him! Compare "Him that cometh" and "who-soever" in John vi, 37; iii, 16; Rev. xxii, 17. But notice that to be saved one must "enter in," as truly as Noah and his family and the creatures entered into the ark. Safety is found only "in Christ," but, being in Him, it is impossible then to perish tverses 28, 29), and the whole daily life, described both here and in Ps. exxi, 8, as "going in and out," will be a life of "abiding satisfied" (Proc. xix. 23). because of the good pasture, even Himself (John vi. 57).

own testine by sulersary and the Saviour, the n the man w the Christ-both are seen lesus pudea Abel, and in all men ever Him ind a every man is either with Christ gainst Him (Luke xi, 23). As there Lust be the entering in to be saved, there must be the possession of Christ to have life. "As many as received Him." "He that hath the Son" (John i, 12; I John v, 12). Every saved soul has life, and with

this many are satisfied, but the Lord is not satisfied, for He came to give life more abundantly. Sick people, however sick they may be, have life, but it is very unusual to find a sick person willing to

11, 14. "I am the Good Shepherd." He is also the Great Shepherd and the Chief Shepherd (Heb. xiii, 20; I Pet. v, 4). As the Good Shepherd He provides life for us by laying down His life. He laid it down voluntarily; no one took it from Him; and He took it again, for He had Him; and He took it again, for He had power to do so (verses 17, 18). He was delivered for our offenses and raised again for our justification, and by faith in Him we are justified and have peace with God (Rom. iv, 25; v, 1). As the Great Shepherd He works in us the things that are pleasing to God. And as the Chief Shepherd He will reward us with the crown or crowns which He may give us at His coming (Luke xiv, 14; Rev. xxli, 12). Rev. xxli, 12).

12, 13. He who is only an hireling careth not for the sheep, but only for himself, his own safety and his own comfort. The hireling is one who has not upon his heart the interests of his master, but only that which he can get from the master whom he appears to be serving, for service too often but poorly rendered. Not such was David when he rescued Not such was David when he rescued part of his fock from a lion and a bear (I Sam. xvii, 34, 35). Our Lord Jesus never lived to please Himself, nor to seek His own will, nor His own glory (Rom. xv, 3; John vi, 38; vili; 50). His life was to do the will of the Father who

sent Him.
15. The Father and He were perfectly one and knew and understood each other thoroughly. He testified that He did always those things that were pleasing to the Father, and the Father said of Him, "This is My Beloved Son in whom I am well pleased" (John viii, 29; Math. iii, 17; xvii, 5). As the Father loves Him, so He loves us, and He would have us abide in His love, manifesting it by a willingin His love, manifesting it by a willingness to lay down our lives for others as He laid down His life for us (John xv, 9;

I John iii, 16). 16. "Them also I must bring." Those other sheep not of Israel, but gathered out of all nations, who are to reign with Him (Rev. v, 9, 10). He says He must Him (Rev. v, 9, 10). He says He must bring them, for every purpose of the Lord shall be performed, and these called out ones shall be a glorious church, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing (Eph. v, 27), and Israel shall be all righteons (Isa. lx, 21). Then there shall be not only one nation in the land with one king over all (Ezek. xxxvii, 22), but under the united government of the heavenly and earthly bodies, the church and Israel, there shall indeed be one fold and one Shepherd, and all the earth filled with His glory. He invites all His redeemed ones to share with Him the honor of gathering out these other sheep by deemed ones to share with Him the hon-or of gathering out these other sheep by giving to all nations and to every crea-ture as quickly as possible the knowledge of His salvation, which is so freely given to all who will receive Him. If Chris-tians had the same zeal for the kingdom that loyal soldiers have for their country.

how soon it might be done!

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

Topic For the Week Beginning Aug. 26-Comment by Rev. S. H. Doyle. from the goats, but it is an awful, sol- boundless misery. The two facts-one Christ for judgment at the time of His second coming. These are divided into tails, blissful and terrible alike, are two classes, one on his right hand, the wisely withheld." other on his left. To one he says, "Come," to the other, "Depart." The judgment that determines the place of ural and necessary. Judgment in all time, characteristics and accompany-Christian faith. These works were done in Christ's name and for His sake. They were the result of faith and not good, moral works apart from faith. These will not save. The efficarry of works depends upon their spir- II Tim. i, 16-18; Heb. vi, 10. it and motive rather than their outward appearance. The only works that will count in the day of judgment will be those that have been the result of faith in Christ. It will not be our ministering unto our fellow men, but

he of value in His eyes in that day. 1. Ministering to Christ. Those ou the right hand of Christ had ministered unto Him. (1) They ministered unto Him by ministering unto their fellow men who were in need of help. They fed the hungry, visited the sick, clothed the naked in His name, and theresee Him in every one about us who needs our assistance, and help Him in helping them. (2) Those who ministered to Christ were amply rewarded by an alumdant entrance into heaven. No service for Christ goes unrewarded. A cup of cold water given in His name has its reward. Let us lay up treasures in heaven by ministering to suffering, needy humanity in the name

our ministering unto Christ, that will

of Christ. 2. Failure to minister to Christ.
Those on Christ's left hand, to whom He said, "Depart," had failed to minister to Him. The judgment pronounced presupposes opportunity, yet Friday night. they pleaded ignorance, but their excuse was not accepted. They had failed to believe in Christ and to serve

nounced upon them.

This picture of the judgment tremendously emphasizes the importance of faith in Christ and a life of service Toric.-Ministering to Christ.-Math. xxv, S1-46. for Christ. The judgments passed In the topical reference we have a were final and irrevocable. The repicture of the grand concluding act of sults of these judgments were eternal. the several judgments described in this | The word punishment in verse 46 is chapter of eschatological discourses. not annihilation, but positive misery. It is not a parable, though Christ does In this verse "endless and boundless speak of a shepherd dividing the sheep [life is contrasted with endless and emn reality. All nations appear before transcendentally glorious, the other unspeakably awful-are revealed; the de-

THE PRAYER MEETING. This would be an opportune time for a comprehensive study of the subeach is decided by works. This is nat- ject of the general judgment, the cases must be according to works, but ing events. Study (1) the judge, (2) Christian works are inseparable from the judged, (3) the grounds of judgment, (4) the verdicts.

> BIBLE READINGS. Math. x, 32-42; xvi, 25; xviii, 1-6; Mark ix, 41; Luke ix, 48; I Cor. xv, 58; II Cor. viii, 1-9; Gal. iv, 12-14; vi, 9;

Bordley News.

Bordley, Ky., Aug. 20 .- Wm. Wynn, Jr., a young man of near this place, has gone to the Paris Exposition. He will probably visit other parts of Europe during his stay. He has traveled in every State in the Union.

Mrs. David Woodard has been on the sick list the past few days.

The dry weather has caused a great many farmers to cut their tobacco sooner than they generally do.

very sick with intermittent fever the past week is better. Wm. Lipford, of Marshall County,

Mrs. Louisa E. Clift, who has been

s visiting relatives near this place. soon commence.

there is a lot of sickness, mainly and it is said that he made pold is visiting relatives here.

Him by serving their fellow men in at Sturgis Saturday morning and which will be heired by her nephews | J. H. Kennedy, of this place.

His name, and eternal doom was propleaded guilty saying that his fam-

letter from her residence, 20 W. 15th Street, New York City. This talented and versatile young lady has made an enviable name for herself on the stage by her excellent work in support of some of the leading stars, besides being noted in

literary and art circles as an adept with the pen and pencil. She is justly proud of her magnificent head of hair, which is shown to advantage in the accompanying

photograph.
"Some time ago, when my hair was brushed, I noticed more and more the increase of hair left on the comb. My scalp became dry and my hair grew thin so rapidly that I had to change the style of wearing it. I then tried various hair tonics, the effect of which was to make my scalp exceedingly tender, and the hair stiff and brittle when dry. I re-solved to try Cuttcura Soap. The comfort I experienced before I had given it fort I experienced before I had given it a long trial was so great that I determined to continue it. Taking care to have the room warm, I would shampoo my head with a strong lather of CUTICURA SOAP, letting it remain for some time. I would then wash it off with warm water, and dry thoroughly. After a short time my hair ceased coming out, growing soft and silky to the touch. CUTICURA SOAP is marvellous, and I would not be without marvellous, and I would not be without it for my toilet table."

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ily were suffering from hunger. When searched he had two pocket-Schools all over this county will books full of money. He was placed in jail at Morganfield. His Doctors Martin and Watson say family lives in Crittenden County

> Wm. Riley and wife visited Chas. M. Clift Sunday.

raids into Illnois.

Mrs. Rebecca Bartlett, of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting relatives near He was arrested and answered this place. She has a nice fortune the charge before Magistrate O'nan worth upwards of a million dollars,

St. Charles Items.

There is not as much sickness here as two weeks ago.

Miss atta Jagoe, of Madisonville,

The Christian Sunday school will have a picnic here next Friday.

Mrs. T. R. Finley and son Kimmel, visited Mortons Gap last Sat-

Miss Ethel McCulloch, of Nortonville, is visiting the family of Mr.

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spent a few days in Earlington last week with relatives.

Mrs. George Bradley and daughter Miss Hallie, of Hopkinsville, returned to their home last Saturday, after a short visit to the family of Mr. J. V. McEuen.

A contract to "thoroughly clean" the Christian Privilege cemetery was let to D. D. Woodruff, the lowest bidder, last Saturday. The consideration is \$16 and work will begin at once.

Hiram Blow & Co., of Central City are erecting a stave factory near Woodruff Station. We welcome this enterprise. Some of our people prefer to work in wood rather than coal, and now they can have their choice.

James Sisk went to Dawson Springs last Saturday evening and returned on Sunday morning. It is a source of regret to Jim's friends that he persists in taking these extended trips. This is the second of the kind in less than two years, and everybody knows that it takes money to travel nowadays, but Jim seems to have reached a point where he is quite sndifferent to this fact. We would not at any time be surprised at his going to Princeton, Ky.

"I am a switchman," writes A. J Jennessen, of 9201 Butler St., Chicago "and am out in all kinds of weather. I took a cold which settled on my kidneys and was in very bad I tried several advertised medicines with no benefit until I was recommended to take Foley's Kidney Cure. Two-thirds of a bot-tle cured me. Campbell & Co.

OUR COLORED CITIZENS.

ST. CHARLES.

Look out for the big picnic to be given at St. Charles Saturday, Sep-

Rev. J. T. Martin filled his last appointment at Copras Springs Sunday. Next Sunday will be his last appointment at White Plains. He will close his conference year with a basket meeting at White Plains next Sunday. All are invited.

The Hopkins County Teacher's Institute will be in session all next week in Madisonville. St. Charles will be represented.

They say that Prof. Jennings has a fine garden.

Mesdames Sam and John Allen and Miss Bettie Allen visited Mrs. Annie Jennings Sunday.

Mrs. Lucy Ferguson visited in Mc-Ewentown Sunday.

Mrs. Bettie Austin, who has been visiting Mrs. George Sharp the past week, expects to leave for her home this week. Mrs. Henry Godsey, who was very

sick last week, is some better.

Our public school will open September 3rd, with Prof. Jennings as teacher. This is his third year and we are proud of him and we hope he will succeed in the future as he has

Rev. J. W. Davie has been called to this church for another year.

Mrs. James A. Robinson, who has been visiting in the city of Powderly, Ky., returned home and expressed herself as being well pleased with her trip to that city.

Mr. W. H. Taylor has not quit smiling since the 4th inst., because a very small and beautiful young lady has come to his house to stay. We do not see why Mr. "J. W." has not been to St. Charles to his mother

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